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A full band—Jack Falstaff's belt.
A species of so-ac-try—Pugilism.
A good place for earthquakes—Shaker village.
The lame chimney swallow has a defective flew.
A pleasant trip—Falling into a young lady's lap.
Where wooden legs stand the best—Under a table.
An anonymous article—A baby before it is christened.
Esthetic editors have their paste made from sundowner now.
A baby in Ohio that was fed on elephant's milk gained twenty pounds in one week. It was the baby elephant.
Amelia (looking at the Laocoon group) "I see a dragon, I see a dragon. But how did they become so intricately entangled in the hose?"

It was probably on its way to buy a matinee ticket when captured.

It's a mean boy, who, knowing that his sister's young man is still in the parlor, will slip down stairs near midnight and gayly ring the breakfast bell.

--Philadelphia News.

The north Australian natives detest the Chinese, except as food, and have lately eaten several members of a Chinese colony which was engaged in colonizing.

The guard of honor at the tomb of Victor Emmanuel in the Pantheon is still religiously kept up by veteran soldiers from all parts of Italy. Three sentinels divide the time between 7 a. m., when the Pantheon is opened, until 1 p. m., when it is closed.

A fashionable lady witness fainted dead away while giving her testimony, and the doctor who was summoned said it resulted from her corset being too tight. The incident was very properly entered upon the minutes of the case.

"How do you like the character of St. Paul?" asked a parson of his landlady

one day, during a conversation about the old saints and the apostles. "Ah, he was a good, clever old soul, I know," replied the landlady, "for he once said, 'I don't know, that we must eat what was put before us, and ask no questions for conscience sake. I always thought I should like him for a boarder.'"

A correspondent at Denver says that the sewing-machine agent, on entering the grounds of a private residence, was met by the pet watch-dog of the landlady and compelled to skip out at a lively rate. Nothing daunted, the agent started down and borrowed a Colt's navy pistol from a friend, returned, put five bullets in the pet dog, and then went in and sold the landlady a sixty-dollar machine.

Two sons of Erin, shovelling on a hot day, stopped to rest, and exchanged views on the labor question: "Pat, this mighty hard work were at." "It is, dad, Jemmie; but what kind of work it you'd like, if you could get it?" "Well," said the other, leaning reflectively on his shovel and wiping the perspiration from his forehead, "I'd like to be a doctor."

A friar of a monastery in Arabia noticed that the goats were remarkably agile and brisk, after eating of the coffee

es; so he made his lethargic monks
it. The success was marvelous; and
is one of the many assigned origins
the use of the berry, which soon
and its way into Europe. The present
system of the East is to boil the coffee.
The powder is put on the fire in cold
water, which is only allowed to boil up

few seconds; if boiled too long, the aromatic parts are volatilized and escape with the aroma.

FAILURE OF STEAM.

There is every indication that the steam system introduced in Lynn, Mass., about a year since, is a failure from a

financial standpoint. The company has actually changed hands within a short time past, the Holly company of Lockport, N. Y., taking the reins of management. There has been much money sunk in the enterprise; reported all the way from \$100,000 to \$150,000. Since the capital stock was paid in it is given out

at \$30,000 additional has been paid in. The officers and others connected with the company will have nothing to say regarding its experience, but say that a change in management is about to occur. The Holly people are not at all satisfied with the manner in which their system has been introduced in Lynn, and will

been introduced in Lynn, and will make a reform in the management, an important reformation contemplated in connection with the mode of conducting the fires. At the present time upward of 100 tons of coal per day are used, which cost \$4 per ton. The expenses are said to be considerably less than in the previous year, and the company

A few weeks ago a baby was taken to

When he was to be baptized, and his little brother was present at that rite. On the following Sunday, when the baby was undergoing his ablutions and dressing, the little brother asked mamma if she intended to carry Willie to be christened? "Why no," replied the mother, "don't

"What," returned the young reasoner, with the utmost astonishment in his sweet face, "not if it don't take the longest time?"



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MEREDITH MATTERS.

Mr. Dias is getting better.

Obadiah Eastman is very ill.

Mrs. Frank Dow has been ill.

L. Lerch is to move to Franklin

some.

B. R. Dearborn has been to Mas-

sachusetts.

Blwyn Swain is working in the

Centre saw mill.

About 75 pupils attend the new

term of school.

D. A. Vittum suffers from a

strained ankle.

Sam Hodgson's new weather vane

is much admired.

Daniel Alexander has bought

John Nichols' farm.

Miss Ellie Bedee has been visit-

ing in Massachusetts.

Dr. Phelps and his essence hand

sled was here recently.

Another attempt is being made

to have a grist mill here.

E. C. Mansfield has been taking

a trip with Edward Blake.

Miss Alice Prescott, of Somerville,

Mass., lately arrived here.

Go to E. F. Burleigh's, of Laco-

nia, for cheap hats and caps.

Miss Sally Leavitt, an old lady,

lately fell and broke her hip.

Frank Clough has returned much

benefited by his southern trip.

The new school house in the Gil-

man district will soon be built.

The F. W. B. society ladies will

not repeat their entertainment.

Nearly \$30.00 were realized from

the late dramatic entertainment.

The X. Y. Z. club will give a

ball at the Town Hall, Wednesday

night.

The Baptist entertainment at the

Town Hall, Wednesday night was a

success.

Henry Smith's friends, about 30

in number, visited him on the Neck

Monday night.

Some boys recently knocked an

attatchment off Mr. Wiggins' chim-

ney with snow balls.

Pupils from distant parts of the

town and adjoining places are quite

numerous in our schools.

Mr. Cotton being too ill to at-

tend church, had a religious service

at his house Tuesday night.

H. H. Morrison of the Concord

telegraph office has been visiting

his brother, C. W. Morrison.

Dustin & Colby's orchestra are to

furnish music at the new Hamp-

ton public meetings, March 2 and 3.

The G. A. R. ladies' relief corps

will give a dramatic entertainment

soon, under charge of Mrs. T. B.

Nichols.

Now is the time to go to Bur-

leigh's, Laconia, and get marked

down prices on boots, shoes, rub-

bers and slippers.

The third anniversary of the Re-

LINCOLN.

Mrs. Deacon Drew, died Friday morn-

ing, Feb. 19, aged 76 years and 100

days. She was an invalid for years,

but bore her suffering very patiently

never complaining, but ever believing

in "Our troubles and trials here.

"Will only make us richer here."

The aged husband with whom she had

journeyed 40 years, and the nephew

and niece who were to make her earthly

journey, miss her sadly, but with

bright anticipation look forward to a

happy reunion on the other side of the

river, where parting is unknown.

The funeral took place at her late home

under the supervision of A. Hunt of Wood-

stock. Rev. Mr. Connel preached a very

appropriate sermon after which the

remains were interred in the North Wood-

stock cemetery. The bearers were S. M.

Hanson, J. W. E. Fittie, D. Dearborn,

and E. Demerit.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Elliott are out of town

visiting friends.

D. O. Hanson returned to the New

Hampton Commercial College, at the

commencement of the present term.

Miss Inez Gurnsey is attending

school at 14 months.

One of "Our Georgies" came to the

conclusion recently that "two is a com-

pany and three a crowd."

Two young ladies of this place got lost

one evening last week, and were for the

kind assistance of Miss Wymore. It is

doubtful if they would have found their

way home.

Advertisement for a skin medicine, featuring an illustration of a person's face and text describing its benefits for various skin conditions.

ASHLAND.

T. N. Hughes is getting out a ship frame.

The snow has been shoveled off Scribner's mill.

George Eastman formerly a resident of this town was here this week.

Miss Alice Jackson has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Clarence Hunt.

Mrs. Frank Scribner has been to Laconia, this week visiting her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Fellows.

Seven or eight people from Meredith attended the Ashland Ball, Wednesday evening the 15th.

Miss Lizzie E. Cummings of Reading, Mass., will give a public reading at Ashland, Town Hall, Tuesday evening, for the benefit of the Earnest Workers of this place.

The mission, 25 cents; children under 12, 10 cents.

Those from Plymouth who wish to attend can come down on the 6 o'clock train, and return on the 11, for fare one way.

At a meeting of the Ashland Brass Band, held at the G. A. R. Hall on the evening of Feb. 14th, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That we the members of the A. B. R. do hereby tender our most sincere thanks to those parties not connected with the organization whose kind assistance did so much to make our entertainment a success.

Resolved, That we also tender thanks to the citizens whose liberal patronage swelled the fund in our treasury sufficiently to free the organization from indebtedness.

Resolved, That these resolutions be printed in the Ashland Advance and the Ashland Item.

M. C. BLAKE, Committee on Resolutions.

C. M. HODGSON, Secretary.

WOODSTOCK.

The horse owned by Col. Robert B. Tucker which has been the subject of investigation by the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals got doctored in a snow drift near C. L. Parker's last Thursday evening and was killed by Mr. Tucker. The horse was a very poor and weak condition, and was of trivial value. Mr. T. moved the horse home and gave a portion of it to a hog causing the hog's death.

Three feet of snow on an average in the woods now.

A private school taught by Miss Annie Weeks, of Plymouth, closed the 3rd. The school has been one of unusual success.

John C. Field, blacksmith, has been overhauling with work during the past few weeks. This is the result of first-class work and uniformly low prices.

Huge piles of railroad ties can be seen in many places on the highway, hewed and fitted for the new railway.

The snow was drifted so badly in some parts of this town last Friday morning that the roads were entirely impassable, until Moody Howland's large roller drawn by 14 oxen had passed over the road.

ALFREYS.

Terrible itching and scaly humors, ulcers, sores and scrofulous swellings cured by the Cuticura and Cuticura Soap (the great skin cure), externally, and Cuticura Resolvent (blood purifier) internally. Ask about them at your druggists.

DEATHS.

In Lincoln, Feb. 19th, Mrs. Betsey Drew, aged nearly 75 years.

In Concord, Feb. 2, of rheumatism of the heart, Francis Hodgman, Esq., formerly of Canton, aged 53 years.

In Ashland, Feb. 14, of paralysis, Dr. John A. Dana, aged 63 years.

In Hampton, Feb. 15, Warren L. Durbin, aged 78 years.

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